<u>Laurel Ridge Trail</u> - length: 1 mile difficulty: moderate

The Laurel Ridge Trail crosses the slopes of mixed a pine and hardwood covered ridge overlooking the Etowah River Valley. Theses slopes are graced by a variety of trees, shrubs, and wildflowers. Wildlife and breathtaking Blue Ridge vistas are common to this trail.

Cooper's Furnace Trail - length: 1 mile difficulty: easy

The Cooper's Furnace Trail follows the route of a 19th Century mining railroad through a mixed pine and hardwood forest. The forest has a rich variety of trees, shrubs, wildflowers, and an abundance of wildlife. A beaver and a muskrat inhabit the pond at the end of the trail.

Vineyard Mountain Eagle Scout Trails

Blue Trail - length: ½ mile difficulty: moderate blaze color: blue Red Trail - length: 1 mile difficulty: strenuous blaze color: red Yellow Trail – length: 5 miles difficulty: moderate blaze color: yellow The Vineyard Mountain Eagle Scout Trail traverses the forested slopes of Vineyard Mountain. From its lofty vantage points, hikers are provided beautiful vistas of the Etowah River Valley, Allatoona Dam, the Cooper's Furnace historic area and Allatoona Lake. Wildlife which may be encountered includes deer, turkey, fox, bobcat, squirrel, and rabbit. Birds frequently seen are hawks, blue jays, songbirds, and crows. Occasionally, a Bald Eagle may even be spotted along the river.

Please observe the following safety tips so that your outing may be a pleasant experience:

- 1. Do not leave children unsupervised.
- 2. Be careful when walking the trail. Watch your step and stay away from cliffs. Be aware that poisonous reptiles and stinging insects may be encountered.
- 3. Wildlife and plant life should be enjoyed only by observation. Take only memories and leave only footprints.
- 4. Please carry out all trash and litter.
- 5. Area near DAM restricted due to security concerns. Please do not enter.



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